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BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Yoshio ICHIKAWA  
REINFORCING METHOD OF CONCRETE STRUCTURE AND REINFORCED  
CONCRETE STRUCTURE OBTAINED THEREBY  
Our Ref. Q62639

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including twenty-four (24) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and two (2) sheets of drawings. The requisite U.S. Government Filing Fee, executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date. Also enclosed is the Preliminary Amendment.

Applicant claims benefit of small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.27.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows (Small Entity fees apply):

Total claims	<u>7</u> - 20	=	<u>          </u> x	\$9.00 =	<u>          </u> \$0.00
Independent claims	<u>1</u> - 3	=	<u>          </u> x	\$40.00 =	<u>          </u> \$0.00
Base Fee					<u>          </u> \$355.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee					<u>          </u> \$135.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>					<u>          </u> <b>\$490.00</b>

Priority is claimed from August 25, 2000 based on JP Application No. 2000-255883. The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,  
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